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**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND
ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006, please consider the following:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.